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NUJOMA

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1. WE GAVE OWEN A QUICK OUTLINE OF VANCE-GARBA-
NUJOMA MEETING (REFTEL A) BEFORE HE AND CALLAGHAN
SAW GARBA THIS MORNING (NEITHER THE PRIME MINISTER
NOR THE FOREIGN SECRETARY WERE SCHEDULED TO SEE
GARBA BUT CANCELED APPOINTMENTS WHEN THE NIGERIAN
SUDDENLY SHOWED UP AT NUMBER TEN). WE EXPECT A
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READ-OUT OF THE MEETING LATER TODAY.

2. IN MORE DETAIL WE DISCUSSED REFTTEL A WITH GRAHAM
AND REID. BOTH AGREED THAT OUR IMMEDIATE TACTICAL
GOAL SHOULD BE TO DISSUADE SWAPO FROM MAKING A PUBLIC
STATEMENT WHICH WOULD APPEAR TO BE A REJECTION OF
OUR PROPOSALS OR TO DEMAND FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS ON

THE PRINCIPLES AND DETAILS OF THE PLAN. THE HOPE
HERE IS THAT THE CONTACT GROUP IN NEW YORK CAN
PERSUADE THE AFRICA GROUP TO USE ITS INFLUENCE WITH
NUJOMA TO PREVENT ANY SUCH PRECIPITOUS STATEMENT.

3. GRAHAM AND REID AGREE THAT THE DRAFT PRODUCED
BY GARBA (REFTEL C) IS INFINITELY SUPERIOR TO
NUJOMA'S DRAFT. THEY ARE CONCERNED HOWEVER THAT
THE PENULTIMATE PARAGRAPH, IN USING THE WORD
"NEGOTIATION," MIGHT MISS THE POINT THAT OUR PROPOSAL
IS ESSENTIALLY IN FINAL FORM AND NOT OPEN TO FURTHER
DISCUSSION. AS WITH THE SOUTH AFRICANS, HOWEVER, WE ARE
PREPARED TO DISCUSS CLARIFICATIONS PARTICULARLY ON
SECURITY MATTERS AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE
SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE AND THE ADMINISTRATOR-GENERAL.

4. GRAHAM AND REID REITERATED UK SUPPORT FOR OUR
FORMULATION ON WALVIS BAY AND ENDORSED THE SECRETARY'S
REJECTION OF NUJOMA'S DEMAND FOR A WESTERN RECOGNITION
OF WALVIS BAY AS AN "INTEGRAL PART" OF NAMIBIA. THE
ONLY QUESTION HERE IS HOW TO USE THE CARD TO WIN THE
TRICK, AND THIS MIGHT BEST BE DETERMINED AFTER TODAY'S
EVENTS IN NEW YORK.

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